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Filed: **October 17, 2001** Examiner: **N. Ahmad**

Title: **FRICTION CONTROL ARTICLES FOR HEALTHCARE APPLICATIONS**

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